



St. Margaret Mary Parish

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Office Hours:

Monday-Friday: 9 am - 12 noon, 1-5 pm.

July & August: 9 am - 12 noon, 1-4 pm.

Sunday Masses:

Saturday – 5:00 pm

Sunday – 9:00 am, 11:00 am

Daily Masses:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday: 7:15 am

Wednesday: 7:00 pm

Saturday: 9:00 am.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Available 30 minutes before all Masses.

Parish Devotions:

Eucharistic Adoration: Mon-Fri: 8:00 am-8:00 pm.

Sat: Benediction 8:45 am.

Baptisms: are celebrated by appointment only. Participation in a Baptismal Preparation Session is required. Please contact the parish office (905-388-2200) well in advance.

Marriage: Parishioners who are planning to marry should contact the parish office at least six months before the proposed wedding date.

Visits to the Sick: If you or someone you know is in need of a visit in home or hospital please call the parish office.

New to the Parish: Please register by completing a registration form (available in the Narthex). We also ask that you notify the office of any change in address or telephone number.

Schools:

St. Margaret Mary	905-383-8122
St. Kateri Tekakwitha	905-385-8212
St. Anthony Daniel	905-389-5186

Mass Intentions
FOR THE WEEK



MONDAY – MAY 27TH

7:15 am + Mark Bistoyong

TUESDAY – MAY 28TH

7:15 am + Sheila Correa
+ Benjamin Estravillo
+ Marion Workman
+ Lewis & Mildred Habermas
+ Souls in Purgatory

WEDNESDAY – MAY 29TH

7:00 pm + Manuel Moniz
+ Elizabeth Poranganel
+ Remigio Sadsad
+ Odette Villaranda
+ Nelson, Diana, & Jerry Arruda

THURSDAY – MAY 30TH

7:15 am + William J. A. Pickett

**FRIDAY – MAY 31ST – THE VISITATION
OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**

7:15 am + Jaime Encinares

SATURDAY – JUNE 1ST – ST. JUSTIN

9:00 am + Jaclyn Marie Aguiar

**SUNDAY LITURGY – THE
SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST
HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF
CHRIST**

SATURDAY – JUNE 1ST

5:00 pm + Rosaria Memmolo

SUNDAY – JUNE 2ND

9:00 am + Henrietta Bodden
11:00 am – For living & deceased
parishioners

**DIOCESE OF HAMILTON
PRAYER CALENDAR**

MONDAY – Rev. Mark Gatto

TUESDAY – Rev. Peter Robinson

WEDNESDAY – Seminarians

THURSDAY – Rev. Saju Oreethaparambil, C.Ss.R.

FRIDAY – Consecrated Life Candidates

SATURDAY – Rev. Kevin Upendran



**THE LONG-AWAITED WEDDING
ANNIVERSARY MASS** will be celebrated on *SUNDAY, MAY 26TH*, at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, beginning at *1:30 P.M.*. More than 350 couples have registered to attend the always joy-filled event! The highlight, of course, is the renewal of the marriage promises of the couples, sealed with a kiss, and a blessing! **CONGRATULATIONS** to our dear parishioners – jubilarians.

**YOUNG ADULTS NIGHT:
THE BATTLE FOR YOUR HEART**

On **SATURDAY, MAY 25TH**, we welcome Fr. Jonathan Reitzel who will talk about spiritual warfare and inner healing. Join us after the 5:00 pm Mass for Adoration and confessions, followed by pizza, the talk, and fellowship! All young adults (18-39) are welcome.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Note from Father Mark Morley, Vocations Director, Diocese of Hamilton.

Seminarian Summer Placement

Thank you for welcoming Giuseppe Njuaem to your parish. He is a seminarian from Cameroon who is studying at St. Peter's Seminary, London, for the Diocese of Saint Thomas in the US Virgin Islands. He will be staying with you from May 24th to August 31st and will be studying theology when he returns to the seminary in the Fall.

Note from Dr. Eldon Tunks

The Bible Studies for June 2024 on Thursday evenings from 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM

June 6: What is divine wisdom and knowledge?

June 13: Gifts and Ministries to guide the Church

June 20: Avoid giving offense to others

June 27: Knowing Love as God intends us to know it

ANOINTING OF THE SICK MASS

Our annual Anointing of the Sick Mass will be celebrated on **SATURDAY, JUNE 15TH at 11:00 AM**. A reception and time for socializing in the Hearth Room will follow Mass. Anyone suffering from a serious chronic illness or elderly persons in a general state of infirmity is welcome to receive this Sacrament. All are welcome to join us as we offer prayers and support for those who are sick and their families. **See the insert in this week's bulletin.**

A call for "Sandwich Volunteers"

We are planning to serve small sandwiches at the reception after the Anointing of the Sick again this year. If you would be willing to make one loaf of sandwiches for this event, please call Marilyn at **905-388-2200**.



THE NEW VERSION OF BULLETIN

The Parish Council is exploring possibilities to refresh the style and production of the parish bulletin. An essential part of this work will be finding volunteers proficient in digital media software to help us design and collate the information weekly in preparation for

printing. We need your help! If you are comfortable with digital software such as Canva or Microsoft Publisher, and you have a keen eye for print design, we ask you to pray about supporting this important ministry in our parish and then speak to Father Adam.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Thank you to everyone who make the CWL Plant Sale possible. With your general support we able to make \$240.00.

Thank you to all the ladies of STMM who came out to our annual Mass and dinner. It was a beautiful evening.

It is time to have our STMM CWL Council elections. The present council has been in office for the past two years. The positions of President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer and chair positions for the various standing committees of Organization, Spiritual Development and Health and Education are positions that any member may run for. If anyone is interested in running please contact Ann McConnell. More information will be available in the future. The voting will take place at our Annual CWL Christmas Potluck Dinner in December.

MASS INTENTIONS

There are proximity 4,500 families registered in our church (data before the outbreak of COVID-19). To be fair to everybody, each family can only request three Masses a year: one on Saturday evening or on Sunday and two during the week. In addition, the bishop allows us to celebrate two multiple intention Masses during the week with twenty intentions. Therefore, anyone can request a Mass on Tuesdays or Wednesdays – these are multiple intentions. The intentions are not accepted over the phone.

Mass Intentions for 2025

Couples who will celebrate their special **Wedding Anniversary** (25th, 40th, 50th, 60th) next year are asked to come to the office during the month of June as soon as possible to reserve a date for the Mass of Thanksgiving as the dates are filling fast. At this time, **we are only accepting** Mass intentions for the couples celebrating their Wedding Anniversaries. Requests for all other Mass intentions in 2025 will be accommodated in September. Good news - Parishioners can request **MASSSES** for **SATURDAYS/SUNDAYS** still this year.

Dear Maria Contestabile:

With the coming of spring and the gardening season, we see our church surrounded by beautiful flowers and shrubs. I want to take a moment to express my heartfelt gratitude for the exceptional care you provide to the greenery in front of the church. Your dedication and hard work do not go unnoticed. Thanks to your efforts, the flowers are always vibrant and beautiful, creating a welcoming atmosphere for everyone who comes to pray in our church. Your passion for gardening and attention to detail bring so much joy and serenity to our faith community. Thank you for your tireless commitment, so much of devoted time to keeping our landscape looking so attractive and the beauty you share with us all. It lifts our spirits and we are grateful!



Consider the lilies how they grow: they toil not, they spin not; and yet I say unto you, that Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. If then God so clothes the grass, which is today in the field, and tomorrow is cast into the oven; how much more will he clothe you, O ye of little faith? Matthew 6, 28.



HAMILTON RIGHT TO LIFE

BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN – MOTHER'S DAY-FATHER'S DAY

Baby Bottles are available after all Masses today in the Narthex. Please take a bottle and fill it up with your coins, paper money or cheque. Hamilton Right to Life raises money to educate and advertise about the devastating effects of abortion and other life-threatening issues. Please return the bottles to the parish on Father's Day, Sunday, June 16th.



SUPPORT FOR HAITI FROM

ST. ANTHONY DANIEL SCHOOL

For many years, our parish has been twinned with St. Gabriel Parish in the mountains of Haiti.

During Lent this spring, each class at St. Anthony Daniel School collected money to send to Haiti. Together, they collected over \$396.00 to support education at St. Gabriel School. What a great example of the compassion and caring of our school community to share their blessings with others who are in need. Thank you for your generosity!



SEEKING NEW ALTAR SERVERS

Children who have made their First Communion this year are invited to become Altar Servers in our parish. Parents, please prayerfully consider whether this ministry might be appropriate for your children. Call the parish office or speak to Fr. Adam or Deacon Rene.

THE SISTERS OF THE POOR OF JESUS CHRIST



The Sisters of the Poor of Jesus Christ will hold their **LUNCH BAG PROGRAM** on **THURSDAY, JUNE 6TH, 2024**. Donations can be left in the Hearth Room and will be picked up by the Sisters on **WEDNESDAY, JUNE 5TH at 12:00 NOON**. The Donation List is on the table in the Narthex outside the Adoration Chapel. The Sisters are hoping to provide 100 lunch bags. Thank you for your generosity.

SAYING GRACE

Heavenly Father, bless us,
 And keep us all alive,
 There's 10 of us for dinner,
 And food enough for five. - Amen



ST. MARGARET MARY - CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

... **November 8th-9th**! Mark your calendar! Stay tuned for further updates and how you can become involved!
CRAFT TABLE – There will be a get together for those interested in knitting or crocheting on **WEDNESDAY, JUNE 5TH, 1:00-3:00 PM** in the Hearth Room. Some yarn/wool will be available (thanks to donations) for making small items such as mittens, hats, slippers, toques, etc. Items to be made at home. Finished items may be dropped off in the box located in the Hearth Room. Thank you for your continued support. For more information contact Jan at 905-921-2047.



This past weekend we welcomed into the family of God:

SOFIA ANN ROSA
 Daughter of Luca & Andrea

ANTHONY JOSEPH KORNELUK
 Son of Mark & Theresa

Congratulations to the Parents, Godparents, Grandparents and Families



SUNDAY COLLECTION



MAY 19, 2024

Regular Sunday Envelopes + Loose Cash	\$4,692.75
Building Fund	261.00
St. M. M. Parish Outreach	35.00
	<u>4,988.75</u>



CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION - June 2nd, 2024

All parishioners are invited to participate in the Eucharistic Procession on the Solemn Feast of Corpus Christi (the Body and Blood of Christ) next Sunday.

In Canada, the solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ is observed on the Sunday following the Holy Trinity Sunday. It was established as a feast for the Universal Church by Pope Urban IV in 1264 as a doctrinal and prayerful response to heretical teaching about the real presence of Christ in the Eucharist.

The Corpus Christi procession serves as a public display of our Catholic faith in the real and enduring presence of Christ in the Blessed Sacrament, and as a prolongation of the celebration of the Mass.

St. Margaret Mary faith community has a longstanding tradition of conducting the outside Corpus Christi procession. The parish fell away from the practice during COVID-19 when churches were closed, or gatherings were limited.

The Corpus Christi procession includes beautiful prayers and hymns, the reading of a Eucharistic Gospel and Benediction at four Altar locations. Members of various organizations, such as C.W.L. and Knights of Columbus take part in it, carrying their banners.

Particularly, the recent First Communion Children will benefit from this act of devotion to Our Lord in the Eucharist. They will be able to walk alongside their parents and family members in the procession scattering flower petals.

The clergy of Hamilton Diocese will also participate in the procession. What a blessing!

The way of the Procession:

1. Immediately following 11 am Mass, there will be the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. The procession will take us out the front entrance onto the sidewalk of Idlewood Ave. We will proceed left toward Brentwood Ave. **The First altar** will be located by the Parish sign on Brentwood Dr. After prayers and adoration (which will take place at each altar), the faithful will proceed along the sidewalk to the corner of Brentwood Dr and Wildwood Ave.
2. **The Second altar** will be at the corner on the wall of the St. Margaret Mary School Gym.
3. The procession will move along Wildwood Ave, entering the school yard. **The Third altar** will be on the wall of the school at the far end of the yard.
4. We will proceed through the parking lot to **the Fourth altar** which will be situated by the garage. All participants will return into the church for the final prayers and solemn benediction to the four corners of the world. A permit is not needed if we stay on church property and on the sidewalks.

Light refreshments will be served in the Parish Hearth Room following the closing prayers. We are asking parishioners for donations of home baking. Please bring them to the Parish Hall before the Mass.

First Communicants in formal dress will scatter flower petals on the processional route. If you have flowers to offer, kindly bring them to the rectory or to the church.

I invite you to join our Parish Community to honour the Lord on the Feast of Corpus Christi, by participating in this solemn profession of our faith through this traditional procession. It is an opportunity for us to be witnesses of Christ's love for us and to all to grow in our faith.

I strongly believe that a public procession will bring forth many blessings and spiritual fruits for our parish community and the broader community. St. Margaret Parish will be blessed by this strong display of faith in the Eucharistic Lord. Let us allow Christ, present in the Blessed Sacrament, to leave His temple and go forth to visit and bless our households.

Fr. Adam CR

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